## Rules and Regulations: Season Year 2012

- Garden Plot fee is \$30 per plot per year for Acton Residents; \$40 per full plot per year for Non-Residents. \$20 per half plot per year for Acton Residents; \$25 per half plot per year for Non-Residents. Make check payable to the Town of Acton. Payments for plots must be by check, cash or money order only.
- 2. Due to high demand, a limit of **ONE** plot per household is allowed. Full plot size is 50' x 33'; Half plot size is 25' x 33', dimensions are approximate.
- 3. As a renewing gardener, please note if renewal has not been received by the Acton Recreation Department Office by 5PM, Monday, November 14, 2011, your plot will be made available immediately to new applicants. Please note that contact information for renewal mailing was provided by gardener at time of registration. Acton Recreation is not responsible for misdirected or non-receipt of garden renewal notices.
- 4. Garden plots are available for use April 15, 2012 through November 4, 2012.
- 5. Man-made materials: cages, stakes, fences, etc. must be removed by November 4, 2012. Do not remove wooden or metal plot boundary stakes. You are not permitted to extend your garden beyond your assigned plot boundaries. Any planting done in this manner will be removed.
- Absolutely no herbicides may be used in garden plots. Only insecticides and fungicides approved by US EPA and MA Pesticide Bureau may be used in plots. Care must be taken to keep sprays and dust from drifting out of plot.
- 7. Only biodegradable mulches are to be used (i.e. no black plastic).
- 8. All pathways are to be kept clear for mowers. Please do not put rocks, weed clumps, corn stalks, tools, chairs or structures on mowed pathways.
- 9. Perennial plants are not advised; there is no assurance of having the same plot annually.
- 10. All garden debris is to be deposited in the areas provided. There is no trash service provided at facility—this is a carry-in / carry-out facility.
- 11. Dogs are not permitted within the fenced garden area.
- 12. Do not borrow privately owned tools or hoses without owner's permission.
- 13. North Acton Garden area is located on Main Street (Rt. 27) approximately 1.25 miles North of Rt. 2A, across the street from Eastern Road

- 14. There is no assurance that water will be available throughout the summer. North Acton Community Garden must also abide by the Acton Water District Watering Restrictions--even day watering WITH HOSES ONLY on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. WATERING CAN ONLY USAGE on other days of the week. Water spigots will be labeled with this information
- 15. A limited amount of manure is donated by MCI Concord and is to be shared by all gardeners.
- 16. Gardens left unattended are subject to non-renewal. If you reserve a plot then are unable to garden, please notify the Recreation Department at 978-929-6640 so your unused plot can be reassigned.
- 17. Garden plot fees are non-refundable.

Thank you for supporting Acton Recreation. If you have any questions, or concerns, please contact our office at (978) 929-6640. All garden rules and regulations are found on the Town of Acton website located under "General Information", follow this link <a href="http://www.acton-ma.gov/index.aspx?nid=309">http://www.acton-ma.gov/index.aspx?nid=309</a>.